



REMARKS

Claims 1-7 are pending. By this Supplemental Amendment, claim 7 is added.

Support for the features in claim 7 is disclosed in the specification at page 13, lines 1-6. No new matter is added by this amendment.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks made in this Amendment and the December 2, 2002 filed Amendment, Applicants respectfully submit that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable consideration and prompt allowance are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further is desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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